

## MISCELLANEOUS STATUTORY PROVISIONS

### 21-A MRSA §1, sub-§5. Definitions

**5. Candidate.** “Candidate” means any person who has filed a petition under either sections 335 and 336 or sections 354 and 355 and has qualified as a candidate by either procedure, or any person who has received contributions or made expenditures or has given his consent for any other person to receive contributions or make expenditures with the intent of qualifying as a candidate.

### 21-A MRSA §1, sub-§11. Definitions

**11. County office.** “County office” means the office of judge of probate, register of probate, county treasurer, register of deeds, sheriff, district attorney or county commissioner.

### 21-A MRSA §1, sub-§30. Definitions

**30. Political Committee.** “Political committee” means 2 or more persons associated for the purpose of promoting or defeating a candidate, party or principle.

### 21-A MRSA §23, sub-§§9-11. Preservation and destruction of records

**9. Registration of treasurer.** The Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices shall keep the registration of a treasurer under section 1013 in its office for two (2) years.

**10. Records and campaign finances.** Each treasurer and each candidate shall keep the records required by section 1016 for two (2) years following the election to which they pertain.

**11. Campaign reports.** The Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices shall keep the campaign reports or report data in its office for at least 8 years.

### 21-A MRSA §32, sub-§§1-2. Violations and penalties

**1. Class E crime.** A person commits a Class E crime if that person:

A. Knowingly violates a provision of this Title for which no penalty has been provided; or

B. Knowingly displays or distributes political advertisements in or on state-owned or state-leased property.

This paragraph does not apply to acts on state highways or to displays on motor vehicles not owned by the State while temporarily parked in parking areas on land maintained by the State. This paragraph does not apply to acts in or on a state-owned or state-leased building for a period beginning 48 hours before and ending 48 hours after that building is used by a political party to conduct a political activity within that building.

**2. Class D crime.** A person commits a Class D crime if that person:

A. Is a public official and knowingly fails or refuses to perform a duty required of that official under this Title.